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Dear Sirs:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants bring the following documents to the Examiner's attention in the referenced application.

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If the Examiner has any questions or comments with respect to the present application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at (925) 570 8198. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due to our Deposit Account No. 50-2766 (Order No. KL-DT0101).

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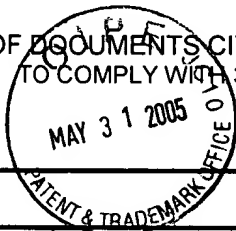
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